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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

J. Allen Shriver

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 April 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 2, 7 and 10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 3-6, 8 and 9 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 April 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities: In line 11 of claim 1, the word "portions" should be changed to "position". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. **Claims 1-2, 7 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Bencic (US Patent 5,452,908).** Bencic discloses an apparatus forming a dolly and portable tool box (See Figs. 1-6), comprising in combination a generally rectangular main body (12) forming a primary tool storage compartment defined by a pair of opposing side walls, a pair of opposing end walls, a bottom wall and a top wall (See Fig. 6); said bottom wall including wheel means (68,70) mounted for rolling movement of said main body over a supporting substrate with said top wall disposed in a generally parallel relationship to said supporting substrate (See Fig. 7); said top wall movably mounted relative to at least one of said side walls between a closed position forming a lid enclosing said storage compartment (See Fig. 7) and an open position permitting access to said compartment, said top wall in said closed position defining a generally planar surface configured to receive and support a load for transport when disposed in a

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generally horizontal position relative to said supporting substrate; [claim 2] further including downwardly depending wall portions fixed to said top wall forming a secondary storage space between the interior surface of said top wall and the lower edges of said depending wall portions independent of said primary tool storage compartment; [claim 7] including means (35) to releasably latch said top wall in said closed position; and [claim 10] further including a gripping handle (74) disposed near one end of said main body and configured to allow said one end of said main body to be tilted upwardly for rolling transport on a pair of wheels disposed near an opposing end of said main body (See Fig. 1).

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 3-6 and 8-9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record in the accompanying PTO Form 892 and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to J. Allen Shriver whose telephone number is (571) 272-6698. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 6:30 am-6:00 pm and Tuesday 6:30 am-11:00 am.

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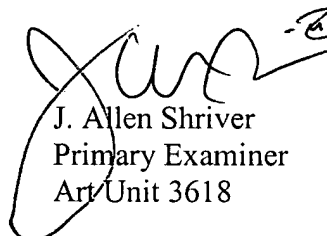
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chris P. Ellis can be reached on (571) 272-6914. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.

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